

# OUTGOING MESSAGE

COMINT

Approved For Release 2001/08/08 : CIA-RDP78S01932A000100230104-8

CHANNELS

SIGNAL CENTER USE ONLY

PAGE OF PAGES

SCM 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 CLASSIFICATION  
 SECRET NED/UDA/BUO/CD CIA/OEI /WHIZWH 740426  
 MESSAGE HANDLING INDICATOR DATE-TIME GROUP CITE MESSAGE REFERENCE NUMBER

CIA/WHSS

SOURCE REF:

1	4	7	10
2	5	8	11
3	6	9	12

TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR MCMAHIS

WARNING NOTICE SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS

INVOLVED **SENSITIVE**

ITEM NO: **WH-5**

DATE: **16 APR 74**

SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN MILITARY MAY BE MOVING AGAINST ENDEKATCHEN GOVERNMENT

REF:

25X1A2g

END ADDIS ABABA

261524Z APR 74. CONF

25X1A

THERE IS CONSIDERABLE MILITARY MOVEMENT IN THE CITY AND BELIEVES THE ARMY HAS MOVED TO DETAIN FORMER CABINET MINISTERS. IT MAY BE THE BEGINNING OF A MILITARY TAKEOVER.

AN EARLIER REPORT INDICATES

THAT THE CABINET YESTERDAY WAS CONCERNED THAT THE MILITARY COULD TAKE OVER THE GOVERNMENT AND RETAIN THE EMPEROR. THE MILITARY WERE SAID TO BELIEVE THAT THE ENDEKATCHEN GOVERNMENT COULD NOT COPE WITH ETHIOPIA'S PROBLEMS. THERE WAS SENTIMENT AMONG SOME

DATE:

ORIG:

UNIT:

EXT:

RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

CLASSIFICATION

REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED

E 2 IMPDET  
 CL BY:

FORM 4-73 4C

Approved For Release 2001/08/08 : CIA-RDP78S01932A000100230104-8

5

# OUTGOING MESSAGE

Approved For Release 2001/08/08 : CIA-RDP78S01932A000100230104-8

# COMINT CHANNELS

SIGNAL CENTER USE ONLY

AGE COI ACP TOG TPE MRO TRI

SCM 0 0 0 0 0 0

PAGE OF PAGES

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET HFD/HDA/BUO/CD

MESSAGE HANDLING INDICATOR DATE-TIME GROUP CITE MESSAGE REFERENCE NUMBER

CIA/DPSS

SOURCE REF:

ROUTING	1	4	7	10
	2	5	8	11
	3	6	9	12

CABINET MEMBERS TO INVITE THE MILITARY TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND TAKE OVER KEY MINISTRIES IN THE HOPES OF MINIMIZING CHANCES OF BLOODSHED AND A STRUGGLE FOR POWER THAT MIGHT COME ABOUT FROM AN UNCOORDINATED MILITARY COUP.

THE US EMBASSY IN ADDIS ABABA HAS REPORTS FROM GOOD SOURCES THAT MIDDLE LEVEL POLICE OFFICERS BEGAN A NEW WAVE OF ARRESTS ON FORMER OFFICIALS TODAY. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS DEVELOPMENT IS A WARNING TO PRIME MINISTER ENDELKATCHEM AND THE PALACE THAT TIME FOR ACTION IN THE DIRECTION DESIRED BY THE MILITARY IS GROWING SHORT. EE IMPDET.H

(SPECIAL DISTRIBUTION: MEA DIV. NIO

25X1A9a

4  
3  
2  
1

DATE: 26 APR 74  
ORIG: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a  
UNIT: CIA OPS CTR  
EXT: 9340

RELEASING OFFICER COORDINATING OFFICERS AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

CLASSIFICATION REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED E 2 IMPDET  
CL BY:

FORM 4C  
4-73

USE PREVIOUS

Approved For Release 2001/08/08 : CIA-RDP78S01932A000100230104-8

5